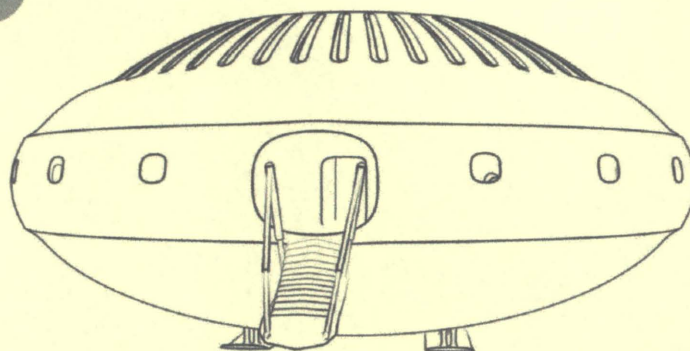
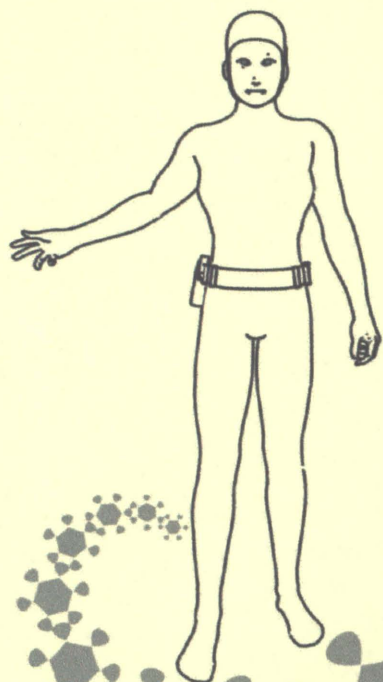
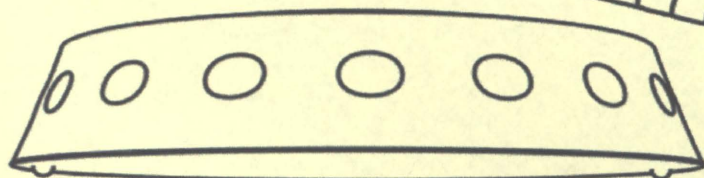
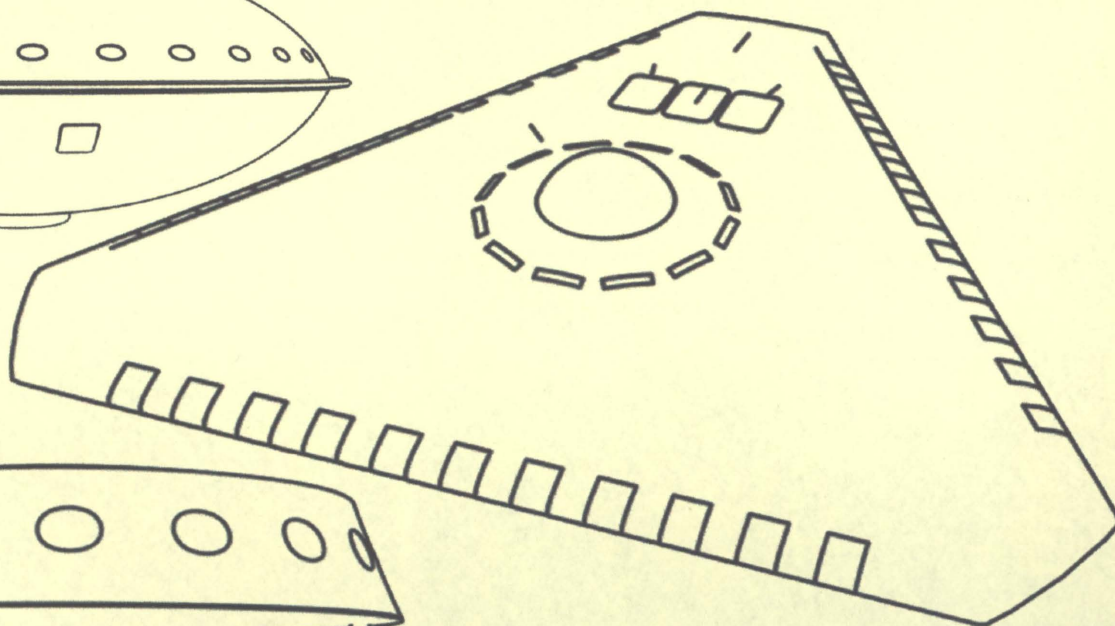
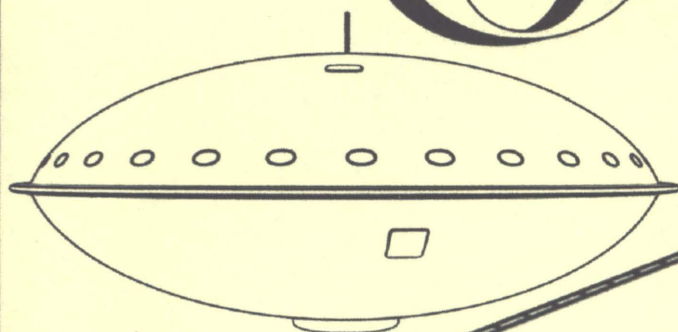


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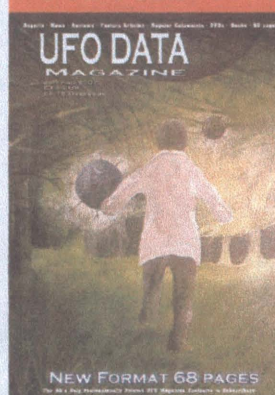
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UFO sighting at airport

A group of airline workers claims to have seen a UFO at Chicago's O'Hare airport.

The Chicago Tribune reports on January 1, 2007, that many pilots and workers at the airport saw a UFO hovering over Concourse C, that shot up into the clouds on November 7.

The Federal Aviation Administration acknowledged that a United supervisor had called the control tower at O'Hare, asking if anyone had spotted a spinning disc-shaped object. But the controllers didn't see anything, and a preliminary check of radar found nothing out of the ordinary.

An FAA spokeswoman said. "Our theory on this is that it was a weather phenomenon. That night was a perfect atmospheric condition in terms of low (cloud) ceiling and a lot of airport lights.

"When the lights shine up into the clouds, sometimes you can see funny things." She added the FAA was not investigating.

United Airlines employees swear they saw a saucer-shaped craft hovering over O'Hare Airport in Monday's Chicago Tribune.

I know that what I saw and what a lot of other people saw stood out very clearly, and it definitely was not an (Earth) aircraft."

- United Airlines mechanic about Nov. 7, 2006, sighting Details can be found at www.nationalufocenter.com



Mystery Object Seen Over Nottingham 1st January 2007

PRA member Carol Wensley and her husband were watching the firework displays entering into the New Year 2007, from their home at Selston, Nottingham, when they spotted an orange/dull red glowing object in the sky. (*Selston is situated near the Alfreton Derbyshire border area*)

It was first seen coming from the direction of Matlock (NW) and at first, the couple thought that it was part of a firework display, but the dull orange ball approached them "at the speed of a light aircraft and about the same height". (*That would be an approximate speed of 150mph at a height of 3,000ft.*)

They could hear no sound coming from the object, then as it passed across their viewing position and slightly to one side they were able to see that the light was in the shape of a triangle "like a squashed orange/red pyramid".

It had no flashing or navigation lights such as an aircraft would carry and appeared to be illuminated either from an external or internal source.

When last seen, the glowing object was moving in the direction of Lincolnshire (ENE).

Total observation time was between one to two minutes and occurred between 0015hrs and 0045hrs. Mrs Carol Wensley commented that it was so extraordinary "other people must have seen it!"

If anyone has seen or heard of anything similar or has any information regarding this sighting please contact the OVNI Editor.

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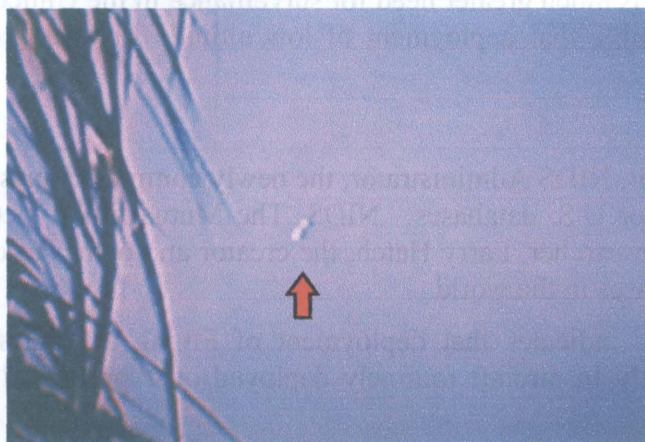
(With thanks to Paul Usher)



I have two cameras on the job , one looking north and the usual cam 8 looking SW . (Note meteorite)



This is a night shot from my location here in Derby , highlighted in the circle and looks a very similar shape to objects photographed by Ed Sherwood. (The bright dot is a star.) I call these things tumblers as they are seen to tumble end over end and sideways



Here is a striking similarity , Ed Sherwood has taken pics. of one of those weird objects over Santa Monica (California, USA) during the day.

SILENT RUNNING: 'BLACK TRIANGLE' SIGHTINGS ON THE RISE

By Leonard David

(Ed. Note: Reprinted with permission here from Mr. David with full credit to www.Space.com the web-site in which the article first appeared on 9/2/04.) Bear in mind while reading this article that in 1994 triangles were still relatively new in the sighting field. Since this article the numbers of triangle stings have increased at a tremendous rate.)

They have become legendary in UFO circles. Huge, silent-running "Flying Triangles" have been seen by ground observers creeping through the sky low and slow, near cities and quietly cruising over highways.

The National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS), has catalogued the Triangle sightings, sifting through and combining databases to take a hard look at the mystery craft. Based in Las Vegas, Nevada, NIDS is a privately funded science institute with a strong research focusing on aerial phenomena. The results of their study have just been released and lead to some unnerving, still puzzling conclusions.

The study points out: "The United States is currently experiencing a wave of Flying Triangle sightings that may have intensified in the 1990's especially towards the latter part of the 1990's. The wave continues. The Flying Triangles are being openly deployed over and near population centers, including in the vicinity of major interstate highways.

COVERT OPERATIONS?

A key NIDS conclusion is that the actions of these triangular craft do not conform to previous patterns of covert deployment of unacknowledged aircraft. Furthermore, "neither the agenda nor the origins of the Flying Triangles are currently known."

The years 1990 – 2004 have seen an intense wave of Flying Triangle aircraft, the study observes. Sifting through reports by hundreds of eyewitnesses, the NIDS assessment states that the behavior of the vehicles "does not appear consistent with the covert deployment of an advanced DoD (U.S. Department of the Defense) aircraft."

Rather, it is consistent with (a) the routine and open deployment of an unacknowledged advanced DoD aircraft or (b) the routine and open deployment of an aircraft owned and operated by non-DoD personnel, suggests the NIDS study.

"The implications of the latter possibility are disturbing, especially during the post 9/11 era when the United States airspace is extremely heavily guarded and monitored," the NIDS study explains. "In support of option (a), there is much greater need for surveillance in the United States in the post 9/11 era and it is certainly conceivable that deployment of low altitude surveillance platforms is routine and open."

OPEN, EVEN BRAZEN

According to Colm Kelleher, NIDS Administrator, the newly completed quasi "meta-analysis" of Flying Triangles melds three major U.S. databases: NIDS, The Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) and data collected by independent researcher, Larry Hatch, the creator and owner of one of the largest and most comprehensive UFO databases in the world.

Kelleher said, the analysis indicates that deployment of Flying Triangles is open, not covert, and involves low-flying, brightly lit aircraft routinely deployed over populated areas including cities and Interstate highways.

"However, I cannot say whether these are U.S. Air Force aircraft. We simply don't know." Kelleher told SPACE.com. "But it does not appear to be consistent with the covert patterns of deployment we saw with the F-117 and the B-2 prior to their acknowledgement. This is open, even brazen," he stated.

STEALTH AIRCRAFT

For example, a perfunctory look at how past DoD stealth aircraft programs were kept from the public eye – although eventually came to light – is different from the patterns for the Flying Triangles.

Prior to acknowledgement of the F-117 and B-2 aircraft, only rare nighttime sightings occurred in the sparsely populated sections of Nevada, (Area 51 ed.), California and a few other states.

Flying at low altitude over populated areas was rarely reported for the F-117 or the B-2.

“In contrast, the Flying Triangle deployment, especially during the 1990’s, appears more consistent with the open and public operation of these aircraft,” the study explains. The trend of open deployment of the Flying Triangles is not consistent with the secret operation of an advanced DoD aircraft.

NO ATTEMPT TO HIDE

The database-driven study of the Flying Triangle shows the following patterns: Sightings take place near cities and on Interstate highways. They are seen at low altitude in plain sight of eyewitnesses

They fly at extremely low speed or hover in plain sight of eyewitnesses. The vehicles sometimes fly with easily noticeable bright lights – either blinding white lights, or have “bright disco lights” that usually flash combinations of red, green or blue.

The NIDS study emphasizes that the flying of these vehicles may be more in harmony with an attempt to display or to be noticed.

There appears to be little or no attempt to hide. That finding has led to a modification of an earlier NIDS hypothesis that the Triangles are covertly deployed DoD aircraft.

While it is too early to dismiss the previously published NIDS correlation between Triangle sightings and a subset of U.S. Air Force Bases, the apparent association with centers of population may point away from a covert program. “Rather, it is consistent with routine and open deployment of an advanced aircraft,” the NIDS study concludes.

CLUSTERED ON BOTH COASTS

During the ensuing years (2000 – 2004), NIDS received hundreds of reports from people in the United States and Canada reporting large triangular aircraft, often silent and often flying at very low altitude and at low air speed. In many cases, the objects were brightly lit. NIDS files also include reports of Flying Triangles from remote areas.

In mid 2004, NIDS reviewed its’ database that contains the locations of the Triangle sightings in the United States. The sightings of Triangles appear primarily adjacent to population centers and along Interstate Highways, with sightings clustered on both coasts.

NIDS has amassed almost 400 separate sightings of triangular/boomerang/wedge-shaped objects. Many of these craft are brightly lit, low flying and traveling at unexpectedly low air speeds.

In earlier reports, NIDS outlined a tentative correlation between reported sightings of Triangles and the locations of Air Mobility Command and Air Force Materiel Command bases in the United States. LIKE A STAR TREK ‘UNCLOAKING’

According to ground observers, the features of a Black Triangle are indeed impressive. For example, the NIDS study includes the observation of a Port Washington, Wisconsin person who encountered a large object that flew over her home at 500 feet altitude in October of 1998.

Her eyeing of the clear, starry night was interrupted as the craft came into her field of view. “Suddenly this monstrosity came out of the ‘blue’, just like a Star Trek ‘uncloaking’, no kidding... so quiet I couldn’t believe it and so huge... no more than 500 feet or so up, and big enough to take up my field of sky vision,” she reported.

Crude mathematics, the witness recounted, would make the vessel about 200 feet wide and 250 feet long.

TWO CAMPS

In wrapping up its' look at the burgeoning number of Flying Triangle sightings in the United States, NIDS also took into account the work of writers and researchers delving into the topic both in the United States and abroad. Those analyses fall into two camps: The triangles are human-made, while the other says they are not.

"In 2004 it is extremely difficult to distinguish between these two possibilities since the former option overlaps heavily with legitimate national security concerns, while in the absence of much more physical evidence, the latter option is not testable," the NIDS assessment concludes.

(Ed. Notes: To date this current year almost over, 12/26/06, there have been 3,991 reports in the United States of Flying Triangles. Source: Peter Davenport's website: www.nuforc.com which stands for

National UFO Reporting Center. It is a good site to visit to discover all the different shapes and reports throughout the year. Updated frequently.)

UFO OVER SHROPSHIRE : 3 JANUARY 2006



(Photo from the Filers Files)

Second sighting of UFO in county

A second sighting has been reported of an unidentified flying object in the night sky over Shropshire.

Engineer Ian Adams was dropping his wife, Shirley, off to work at the Hayley Club in Wellington at 7.20pm on Wednesday when they saw a metallic cylinder-like object above them.

He said: "It was exactly like that reported by the man in Wellington in the Shropshire Star on Thursday. It had red and yellow flames which seemed to be pushing up into a cylinder. We couldn't get a really good look at it because of the street lights."

"I had a camera in my car so I chased it over towards Wrekin College sports ground where I thought I would get a better view, but because of the traffic I lost it."

Mr Adams, an engineer with Ogihara at Hortonwood, said he was used to being logical and looking for rational explanations for things but this had baffled him. "I watched the trajectory as it moved off towards Newport but it didn't fit in with any aircraft I could think of."

"I had thought it might be a hot air balloon, but it didn't really look like one and you wouldn't find one flying at that time of night."

Retired policeman Mike Lindop had reported seeing the UFO at 7.30pm, also on Wednesday, outside his home in Moorhouse Close, Wellington.

Shropshire Star Mon 8 Jan 2007

Best wishes from Barbara Hughes

From the Shropshire Star: Monday 8th January 2007

(Kindly sent in by PRA member Barbara Hughes)

This report of a metallic cylinder-like object with red and yellow flames also refers to an earlier sighting reported by a man in Wellington, in the Shropshire Star on Thursday (4th January). "It was exactly like that reported by the man in Wellington."

"I had a camera in my car, so I chased it over towards Wrekin College sports ground where I thought I would get a better view, but because of the traffic, I lost it."

NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND

Is it a UFO or a flying saucer?

More than 40 years after an official Defence Force photographer snapped an image of the navy cruiser *Royalist*, debate is raging over the unidentified flying object in the background.

6th November 2006

By Hank Schouten

The print is believed to have languished since being taken in February 1965, but a plan to display it by the Devonport Navy Museum has sparked speculation about the mystery object. UFO expert Peter Hassall, who wrote a book on the subject in New Zealand, is excited by this previously unreported sighting.

The image was captured by the photographer on large-format black and white negative film shot from the cruiser's wing bridge as it approached what looks like Cape Brett in Bay of Islands. The *Royalist* was on its way back from Waitangi celebrations in February 1965.

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It was first spotted by museum staff member Paul Restall as he was assembling images for the museum's new website. He checked the negative on a light table and called in digital imaging expert Hans Weichselbaum to perform a high resolution scan.

This established that the object was part of the original image. Museum director David Wright said there was nothing to explain what it was.

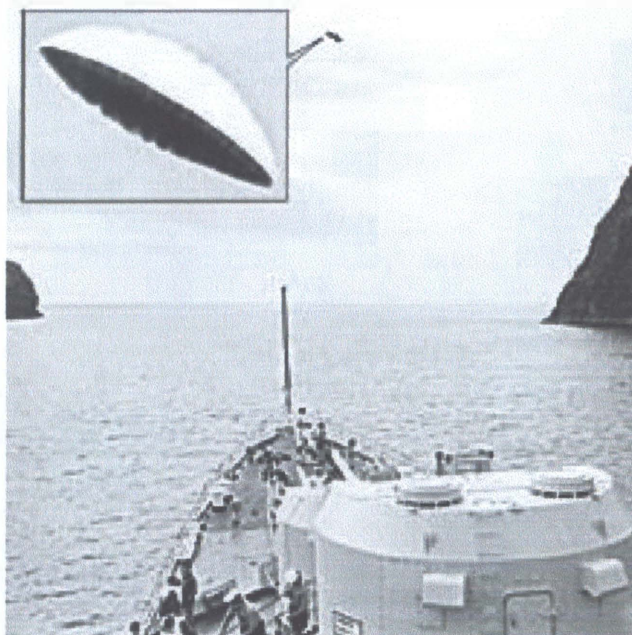
The object appeared to be some distance in front of the ship and none of the sailors working on the bow was taking any notice, as would be expected if something was going on. He said it looked to be too distant to be a dinner plate thrown from the bridge and the same would apply to a clay pigeon used as a shooting target. The angle of the object and absence of visible lines suggested it was not a parachute. So what is it?

"We're not saying it's a UFO," Mr Wright said. "It is just one of those interesting things we came across."

Museum staff did not have the time to hunt down former crew members who might be able to solve the mystery but "if people are interested in it and want to pursue its provenance we'll assist them", Mr Wright said.

Mr Hassall said it was an intriguing photo. His first thought was that it might be a flaw on the negative but, if that was the case, it was an unusual one.

"It is a very interesting image and the classic dome shape that's often reported." However, he is mystified that the photograph has never been reported before.



TRUE OR FALSE? An unidentified flying object, inset, is seen in this picture from navy archives taken from the cruiser *Royalist* on February 7, 1965.

A SELECTION OF REPORTS BY MARGARET FRY OF THE 'WALES FEDERATION OF INDEPENDENT UFOLOGISTS'

23.1.2006 John Roberts our WFIU investigator and his wife Julie had gone for an outing to Rhos on Sea our prettiest sea side resort, when waiting in a queue for the lights to turn, he saw what he thought was a UFO, oval with a dome to the side, just over the sea by the harbour. He had his camera and took a photo of it. We have to have this enlarged, he has shifted house and the opportunity for this hasn't arisen yet. It certainly looks like a UFO.

9th February 2006 Penrhyn Bay N. Wales 6.20 a.m. A Father and son saw a bright ball pass over the Bay early in the morning, it was low and silent. It went on a regular course sometimes behind clouds. It also had flashing red lights unlike a normal aircraft

14. August 2006 at approx 22 hrs Grid Ref: SJO72665 an aircraft flying S to N roughly from the town of Ruthin to St. Asaph following the River Clwyd always about 500ft. a very low altitude. An engineer in the Denbighshire Council Neil Owen E mailed me this through BBC Wales. Apparently he saw this at close quarters, I phoned and also E Mailed asking what the Craft looked like. Instead he said he was reporting this to the RAF authorities and had written a letter to Low Flying Air Traffic Control, and would send me a copy when he received a reply, this he did, but he would not respond to repeated requests as to what he actually saw, and could we (the WFIU) meet him

13th October 2006, 21.45 to 22.20 Witness a 24 years old man D.O. Jones saw seven lights near the T.V mast at Moel Foel Denbigh district. His house is opposite. Each light was a different colour – green, yellow, white, red, blue some disappeared but came back and changed positions for the duration of the sighting. Each gradually dimmed and left at various minutes of the duration of the Sighting. Then they flew towards his house and passed over. He sent detailed sketches and he agreed to the WFIU interviewing him.

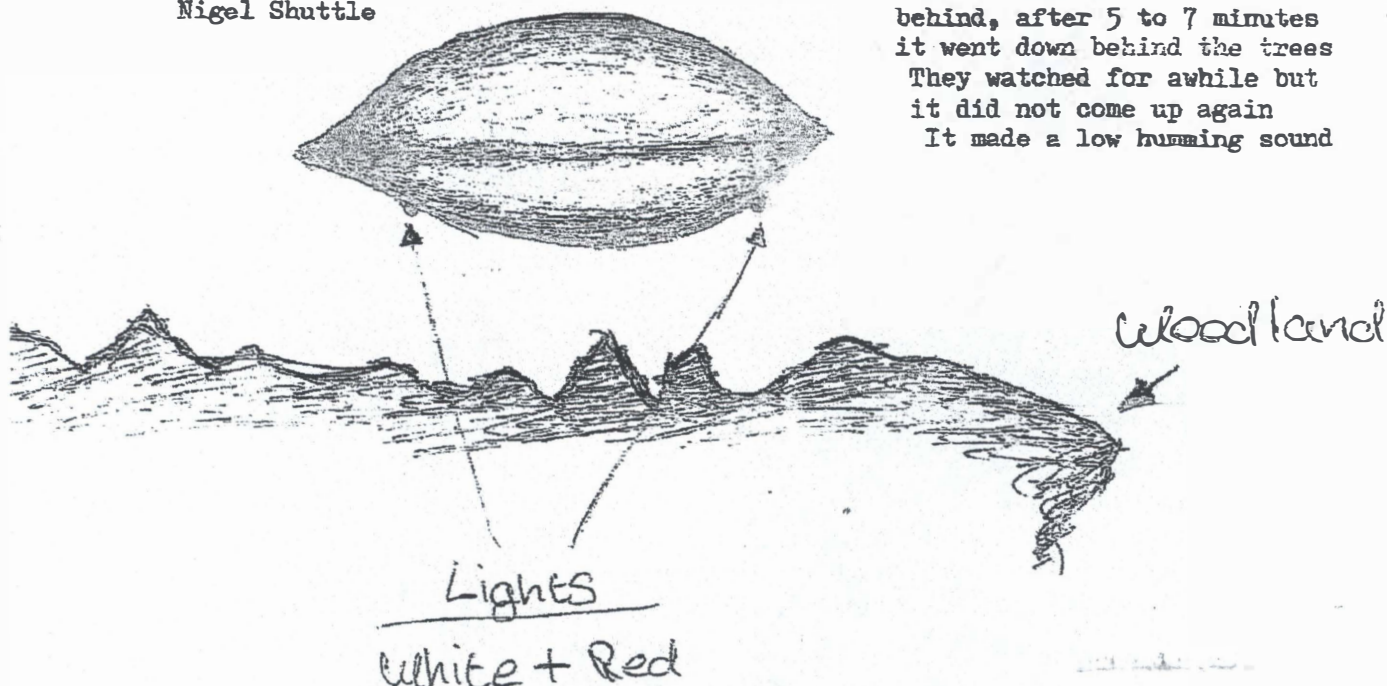
On the 4th October 2006 Sally Gavin and her boyfriend of Llanynys saw a very bright light flashing over Moel Famau Country Park. It grew wider and wider and consisted of three lights which flashed on and off like a Christmas tree lights before disappearing. She called a friend living at Gellifor and he said he was also watching the lights, it was hovering just above the mountain. Five people in all including Sally's brother-in-law saw this and reported this to the North Wales Police who predictably said it might be the Army (doing what?) and even more lame an explanation -someone out hunting!

The Denbighshire Free Press wrote this up, misquoting and inaccurately describing previous reports they got off BBC N.W. Weird Wales website, which I do with Nick Bourne the Producer. After this our WFIU tried several times to arrange to go to Denbigh and interview these witnesses. They would say they would meet us, and then not follow the arrangements through, so we just had to give up, they were too unreliable. There is a chance though that we may still meet D.O. Jones, he cancelled our interview because he had to have emergency dental treatment on a Sunday! We could be forgiven for thinking this was all 'bulls,' but subsequently we read in the local newspaper that Rhyl does an Emergency Dental Clinic on a Sunday!

Margaret Fry's reports contd:

David Owen Jones
saw this on the 8th June 2004
at 3.30 am with a friend
Nigel Shuttle

It was about 30ft long
15 ft. wide and was about 50ft
above some trees, with a field behind,
after 5 to 7 minutes
it went down behind the trees
They watched for awhile but
it did not come up again
It made a low humming sound

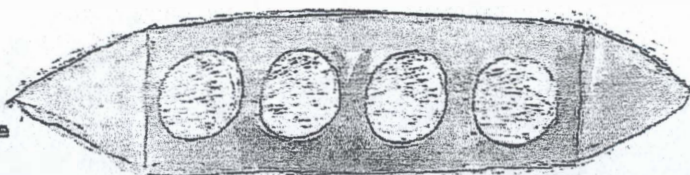


drawing of May '05
Craft

David Owen Jones

This was seen again with friends
and Nigel Shuttle in May
2005.

In 2003 the 10th November
with friends Paul Jones and
Aka Shashi they saw a large white
round light just a few feet above the
Clwydian range of Mountains
it gradually went smaller and smaller
when it went up
The Object had 'jumped up and down
before going upwards'



about 70 ft. long 30ft wide
it made a constant loud sound for
five minutes above the Clwydian
mountains. The row of four round
lights were blue. The craft dark
JUNE 26th 2005 for two days running
he and his friends again watched
a bright white round light over
the Clwydian Mountains. It was
flashing light.

Margaret Fry's report.

1.11.2006 On the 7 p.m. BBC Wales News a Professor Trevor Walker of the Black Mountain Business Park, Brecon, Powys S. Wales was being interviewed in a field of daffodils, with the Black Mountains backdrop. He was describing how they are extracting powerful substances from these plants, which will prove to be a cure for Alzheimers disease. Just then a large white Oval flies in a straight line above them and right across the screen Left to Right, it then fades out only to appear this time going from R to L. and then disappearing over the area above the Professor and Interviewer's heads. It could not have possibly been a plane, bird etc. all of our Group had seen this and immediately phoned each other. We are now trying to get the DVD of it from the BBC.

You will have noted reports from 2003-2004 are scarce. During those years I was very actively engaged in Ufology work with the Media, Radio, local Press and other Groups and individuals, also producing my first book. I did not get many reports for North Wales this was due to my personal circumstances rather than UFO not appearing. For I had a spate of reports sent me by Robert Iles our Investigator for South Wales and some from Richard Alexander for West Wales. All of which I have to give time to study. Some of the reports filled in from South Wales are in very poor English, and others complicated. One has to contact local newspapers, register with and put notices in Libraries and Police Stations continuously to get any reports at all. During that time I received two very interesting reports from a lady J.D in Ellesmere Port. She had seen a grey helmet shaped metallic craft between June-July 1969, which had come right down into her garden hovering a few feet off the ground, when it took off, it touched the trees and went over to a wooded area of Ellesmere Port, the Wirral.

The other was from Wallesey, Merseyside a Mrs R. told me that at 22 years of age in 1956 she was abducted by two tall men with white hair when she was in a field near Manchester. They took her into a craft where there were a lot of people sitting inside in a trance like state. She tried to get away, but they put her in a chair which was lowered to a reclining position. They then did something to her naval. She had her daughter nine months later she said. I don't know what she implied by this. She told me she had continued to see UFOs hundreds of times over the years, that was one up on me, as I calculate I have seen them on about 56 occasions. So here are the latest of my own two sightings.

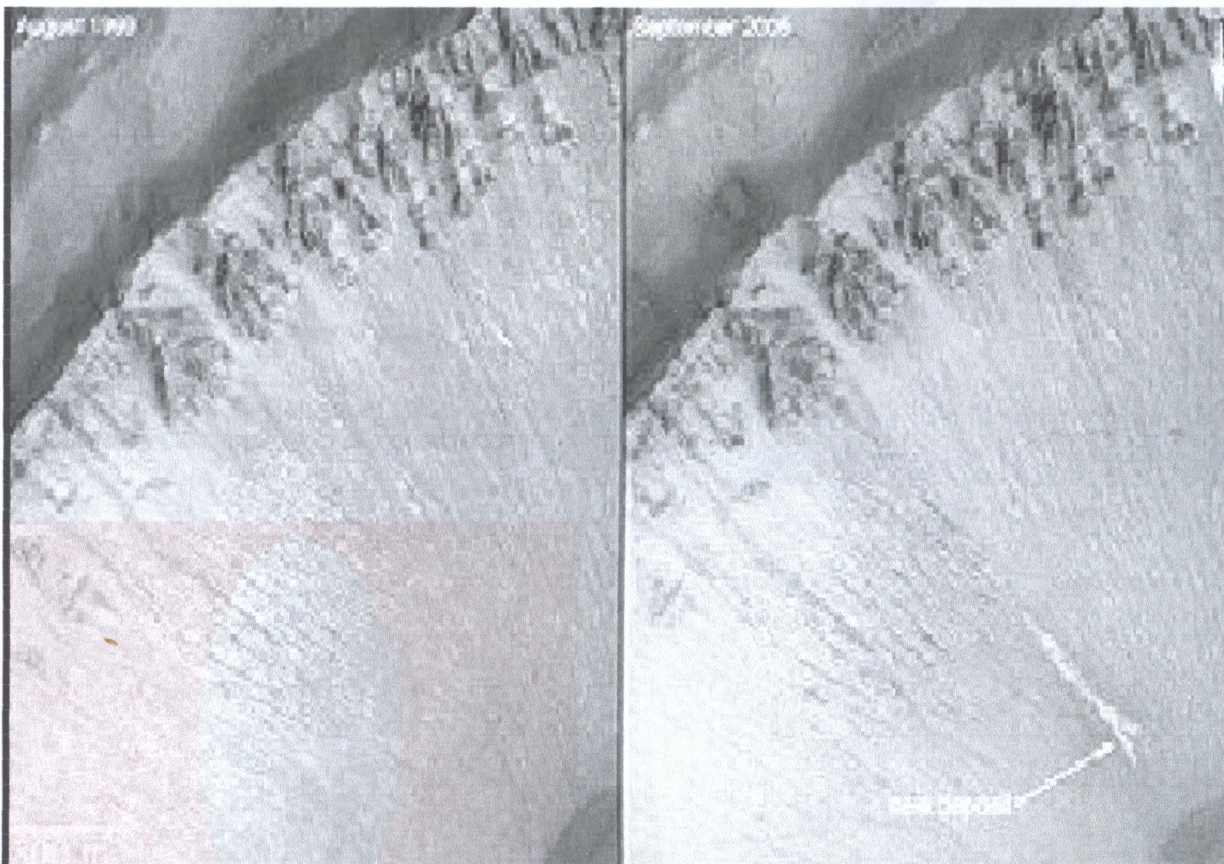
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14th February 2004 a very mild almost warm Valentine Day, my husband had gone to shop at Asda by Kinnel Bay Beach. The sky was clear blue, no clouds, so my eye immediately caught something snow white coming from Colwyn Bay area over the land not the Irish Sea. It was going a very leisurely pace and as it got nearer I saw it was a white tube like thing, which was twisting about into different shapes, by the time it was over Asda Car Park, no more than about 800 ft altitude. Then a very noisy green helicopter appeared from over Asda roof going towards the beach area. It was also flying very low. Lower than the Object. This Object now looking like two long canoes one above the other, with ribbons in between. It just positioned itself over the helicopter and stopped. Did the Pilots see it? It was just a few feet above them, and they too hovered for a bit, before the helicopter slowly went off in the direction of the Irish Sea. Then the white Object started up again, going in the same straight line across the sky, as it had been, until it was so far away it faded in the distance towards Rhuddlan.



NASA Says Water Flows on Mars

The news excited scientists who hunt for extraterrestrial life. If the finding is confirmed, they say, all the ingredients favorable for life on Mars would be in place: liquid water and a stable heat source. "This is a squirting gun for water on Mars," said Kenneth Edgett, a scientist at San Diego-based Malin Space Science Systems, which operates a camera on NASA's Mars Global Surveyor. It was the Surveyor that prompted the announcement by taking photographs of Mars before it lost contact with Earth last month. The images do not actually show flowing water. Rather, they show changes in craters that provide the strongest evidence yet that water coursed through them as recently as recently as several years ago.

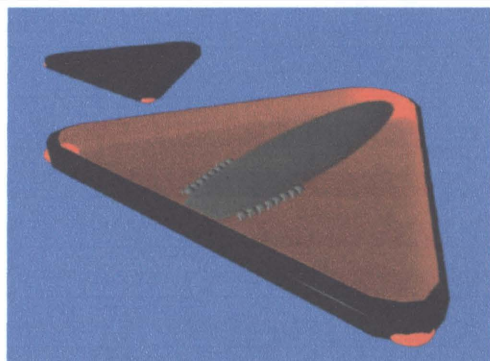


We're now realizing Mars is more active than we previously thought and that the mid-latitude section seems to be where all the action is," said Arizona State University scientist Phil Christensen. Two craters in the southern hemisphere that were originally photographed in 1999 and 2001 were examined again in 2004 and 2005, and the images yielded changes consistent with water flowing down the crater walls. Images released Wednesday show a new gully deposit in a Martian crater. The photo is from 1999. The one at right, taken in 2005, shows a light-toned deposit. Thanks to NASA and journal Science.

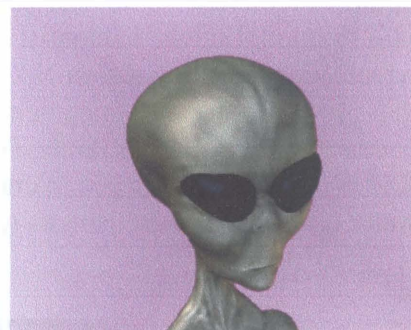
Ed: More and more interesting facts are being discovered almost daily about the Mars environment and I am anxiously awaiting the discovery that 'life' existed on the planet many years ago (before they finally evacuated to Earth!).

NEW REVELATIONS ABOUT 'FLYING TRIANGLE' ABDUCTIONS

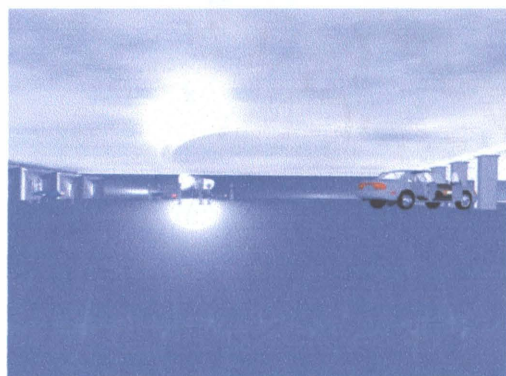
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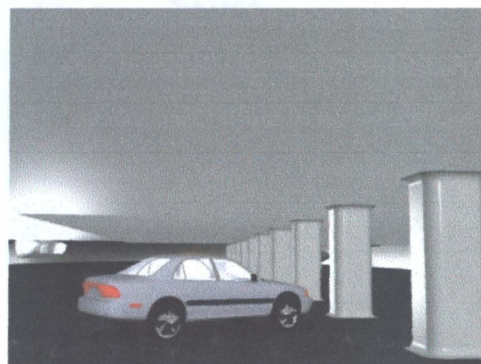
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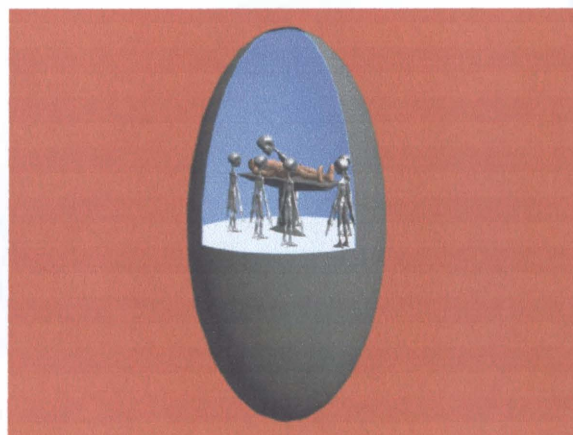
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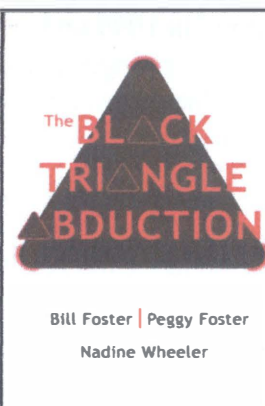
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AN AMAZING COINCIDENCE!

By Bill Foster

Abductions and aliens are not, contrary to popular belief, my main business in life. To the contrary I have many business interests. Among those are playing the piano for retirement complexes, freelance writing, book writing and our main business pet sitting in the pets' home(s). Our website, if you are interested in what we do is: www.billandpeggy petsitting.com I tell you this only as a prelude to this amazing coincidence I am going to describe.

In the course of our business of pet sitting we have dogs that need daily walks. The owners of the pets' both work and the dog needs to go potty at midday so we take them for a half-hour walk in the middle of the day.

One of these dogs was in downtown Portsmouth, New Hampshire, where we live. The dogs' name was Izzy ("was" as in now deceased). I walked Izzy for six years through the neighborhood, taking different directions on many days. Over the course of three years we found an elderly lady who had fancy chickens in her yard. (I am not a chicken expert so I don't know what you call chickens with pretty colored feathers.)

Anyway, the dog, Izzy, really liked looking at these chickens so we would stop in front of the fencing so that Izzy could view the chickens. Most days, this elderly lady was out weeding her garden and we would chat with her about the weather, her prize chickens and just small talk. A very nice lady, indeed.

One day, about a year and a half ago, we walked by that house and the chickens were gone! There was a young man, raking the yard. I inquired what happened to the lady and her chickens. He told me that she had passed away and he just bought the house. He said that perhaps I knew her as she was quite famous. I told him I only knew her in the course of doing my job and was not familiar with her name but probably would not recognize it anyway. Then he told me the shocking news. He said:

"Her name was Betty Hill. Perhaps you might have read about her abduction along with her husband, Barney Hill?"

As you can imagine, I was totally shocked. Betty Hill? You mean for three years I had been talking to her and had no idea who she was? I had so many questions for her and so much in common to talk to her about and all we discussed were chickens?

It saddens me to think that all that time I spent talking to her I had absolutely no idea who she was. In case you are wondering - yes, I knew Betty Hill lived in Portsmouth, New Hampshire and yes, I knew Barney had died ten years earlier and yes, I knew that Betty was still active and writing books.

(Editors Note: Betty Hill sent the PRA this photograph shortly before her death October 17 2004)



Betty and Barney Hill

TALE ENDERS

BRIGHTENING COMET: Comet McNaught is plunging toward the sun and brightening dramatically. It is now visible to the unaided eye both at sunset and at dawn. Amateur photographers have found that they can take pictures of the comet using off-the-shelf digital cameras with exposure times less than a second.

Estimated visual magnitude: between 0 and -1.

(Space Weather News for Jan. 7, 2006 <http://spaceweather.com>)

Comet McNaught has continued to brighten as it approaches the sun and it is now the brightest comet in 30 years. For observers in the northern Hemisphere, tonight is probably the best time to see it: Go outside this evening and face the sunset. A clear view of the western horizon is essential, because the comet hangs very low. As the twilight fades to black, it should become visible to the naked eye.



Comet McNaught photographed from Alberta, Canada. (Brian Tkachyk)

Observers say it's a fantastic sight through binoculars.

OKLAHOMA UFO SIGHTING: *From our own correspondent.*

A UFO was reported locally, it was seen over the Vance Air Force Base (Jan. 5th 2007) by two different pilots who reported it as "hovering, like they do and then all of a sudden it shot straight up!" It is believed that witnesses on the ground also observed the object.

Nov. 16, 2006 NPS AT INDIAN POINT SHUTS DOWN! Indian Point No. 2 stopped working because of a low level conductive electricity surge. Nov. 15, 2006: Hyde Park, New York, a chevron shaped object was observed hovering and moving slowly. Hyde Park, New York, is approximately 28 miles north of the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant, near Buchanan, NY.

(With thanks to Daniel Wilson, Ohio, USA for this report).

FRANCE SPACE AGENCY TO RELEASE UFO DATA

PARIS (Reuters) - The French Space Agency is to publish its archive of UFO sightings and other phenomena online. Jacques Arnould, an official at the National Space Studies Center (CNES), said the French database of around 1,600 incidents would go live in late January or mid-February.

He said the CNES had been collecting statements and documents for almost 30 years to archive and study them. "Often they are made to the Gendarmerie, which provides an official witness statement ... and some come from airline pilots," he said by telephone. It consists of around 6,000 reports, many related to the same incidents, filed by the public and airline professionals. Their names would not be published, to protect their privacy. (From: *Filers Reports*)

NEXT PRA MEETING

Meetings take place at the Royal British Legion, Allenton, Derby on the last Tuesday of each month (except Dec.) commencing at 8pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 30th January 07.

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